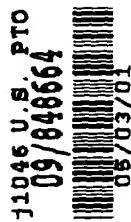


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For: CONTROLLED RELEASE OF NON-HEPARIN BINDING GROWTH
FACTORS FROM HEPARIN CONTAINING MATRICES

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR FILING A
CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

This is a Request for Filing a Continuation Application Under 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 09/298,084, filed April 22, 1999, by
Shelly E. Sakiyama-Elbert and Jeffrey A. Hubbell, for "Controlled Release Of Non-
Heparin Binding Growth Factors From Heparin Containing Matrices".

The application includes 1 page of abstract, 28 pages of specification, 8 pages of
claims, 3 pages of informal drawings, and a copy of the executed Declaration for Patent
Application from prior application U.S. Serial Number 09/298,084.

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A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Please amend the application in
accordance with the Preliminary Amendment.

Applicant hereby requests that the computer readable form of the Sequence
Listing submitted in U.S. Serial No. 09/298,084, filed April 22, 1999 be used in the
above-identified application. The computer readable form to be used was mailed in U.S.
Serial No. 09/298,084 on September 29, 2000. The material on the diskette submitted in
U.S. Serial No. 09/298,084 is identical to the paper copy of the Sequence Listing
submitted in the above-identified application, and the Sequence Listing does not add new
matter to the application.

This application is entitled to claim small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.27.

A check in the amount of \$355.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee for a small
entity. It is believed that \$355.00 is the proper filing fee, as the application contains
3 independent claims and a total of 20 claims upon entry of the enclosed Preliminary

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Amendment. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is also enclosed to cover the fee for a one month extension of time in the parent application, U.S. Serial No. 09/298,084. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1667. A duplicate of this request is enclosed to facilitate this purpose.

This application is being filed on May 3, 2001, by mailing the application to Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, via the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10. The Express Mail label number appears in the heading of this paper, which is attached to the application, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(b).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of

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Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

I hereby certify that this Request for Filing a Continuation Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), and any documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date, May 3, 2001, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10, Mailing Label No. EL 717 750 047 US addressed to Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.



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Examiner Name	M. Brannock
Group Art Unit	1646
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number 50-1667

Deposit Account Name Holland & Knight LLP

 Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.272. Payment Enclosed: Check Credit card Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	710	201 355 Utility filing fee	355.00
106	320	206 160 Design filing fee	
107	490	207 245 Plant filing fee	
108	710	208 355 Reissue filing fee	
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SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 355.00)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
20	-20	= 0 x 0 = 0	0
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104	270	204 135 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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105	130	205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139 130 Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113 1,840 Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215 55 Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216 195 Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217 445 Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218 695 Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228 945 Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219 155 Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220 155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221 135 Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241 620 Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242 620 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243 220 Design issue fee	
144	600	244 300 Plant issue fee	
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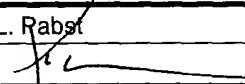
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